been allowed to lay Kakinada-Hyderabad-Uran-Ahmedabad gas pipeline in accordance with the provisions of the Petroleum and Minerals Pipeline (Acquisition of Right of User in Land) Act, 1962. For laying the gas pipeline, merely Right of Use of land is acquired and the land is not acquired permanently.

The value of land on the basis of Government record was Rs. 380/sq metres on the date of notification under Section 3(1) of the Act. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the compensation for acquisition of RoU is payable @ 10% of the market value prevailing on the date of notification under Sec 3(1) of the Act.

The matter is *sub-judice*. In compliance with the interim order dated 11.7.2008 of the Hon'ble Gujarat High Court, RGTIL has deposited compensation @ Rs.300/sq metres, *i.e.*, Rs.32,29,800, to the Competent Authority. Further action in the matter would be taken in accordance with the provisions of the Act and any orders passed by the Court in this regard.

CNG distribution centres

†806.SHRI KRISHAN LAL BALMIKI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of CNC distribution centres opened last year for the use of vehicles in different States;

(b) whether any CNG distribution centres have been opened in any city of Rajasthan;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when the directions given by honourable High Court of Rajasthan, Jodhpur would be complied with?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) Joint Venture Companies of GAIL (India) Ltd. have, so far, opened 29 CNG stations during the year 2008-09.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Presently, City Gas Distribution has not been started in any city of Rajasthan.

(e) In order to promote investment from public as well as private sector for *inter alia* city/local natural gas distribution networks throughout the country, the Government of India has enacted 'The Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) Act, 2006'. As regards Rajasthan, PNGRB has invited bids for setting up City Gas Distribution (CGD) project in Kota. Further, Expression of Interests (EoIs) have been submitted to PNGRB for Jodhpur and Udaipur.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

As regards supply of natural gas to Rajasthan through trunk pipeline, GAIL has commissioned Vijaipur-Kota pipeline in January 2007. GAIL has also been issued authorization for Chhainsa-Gurgaon-Jajjhar-Hissar pipeline, passing close to Alwar in Rajasthan.

Oil potential of KG Basin

807. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Krishna-Godavari Basin has the potential of reserves of about 12 years as first flow of oil from the D6 Block of RIL in September, 2008 is an indication;

(b) if so, by when the peak production of estimated 5.5 lakh barrels of oil and gas per day is expected; and

(c) the present ratio of domestic production and imported petroleum products to meet the country's energy needs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir. As per the production profile, the reserves will be evacuated in about 12 years.

(b) Peak production of gas is likely to be achieved by the year 2012 @ 80 MMSCMD (5.7 lakh barrels of oil equivalent).

(c) During April-December, 2008 the ratio of domestic production and imported petroleum products was 7.95:1.

Recruitment in ONGC

808. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry is aware about the notification No. S.O. 4076 and 4077 *vide* which employment of contract labour in various works specified in the Scheduled annexed thereto was; prohibited on 8th September, 1994;

(b) if so, why various assets in Gujarat have recruited or employed labour through contactors in various categories of Typists, Clerks, Store-Keepers, Boiler Operators, Helper, Drivers, etc. either on term base or regular contractual basis; and

(c) what action is taken against the offices who have violated the Labour Ministry's prohibition regarding employment of above categories in Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) to (c) Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) have reported that they do not engage contract workers directly for their activities. However, ONGC awards certain